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AMENDMENT TRANSMITTAL LETTER				Docket No. 0020-4771P	
Application No. 09/701,303	Filing Date November 28, 2000	Examiner PAGE, Thurman K.	Art Unit 1618		
Applicant(s): Akihiko SANO et al.					
Invention: CONTROLLED RELEASE PREPARATIONS HAVING MULTI-LAYER STRUCTURE					
MS Amendment Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450					
Transmitted herewith is an amendment in the above-identified application.					
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Independent Claims	2	- 3 =		x	
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Applicant:	SANO et al.	Conf.: 8796
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REPLY UNDER 37 CFR § 1.111

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Sir:

In reply to the Office Action dated July 28, 2005, the following remarks are respectfully submitted in connection with the above-identified application.

The present reply contains the following sections:

Amendments to the Claims (pages 2-3)

Remarks (pages 4-18).